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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
MARCELLO NOTARI, ET AL. : EXAMINER: TISCHLER, FRANCES  
SERIAL NO: 10/566,401 :  
FILED: JANUARY 30, 2006 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1796  
FOR: USE OF DIALKYL CARBONATES :  
AS SOLVENTS FOR EXPANDED  
POLYSTYRENE

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Panel Decision mailed June 3, 2009, the Advisory Action mailed April 20, 2009 and the Final Office Action mailed January 7, 2009, reconsideration is respectfully requested in the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks submitted in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE):

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this response.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 5 of this response.

**Support for the Amendments** begin on page 10 of this response.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this response.